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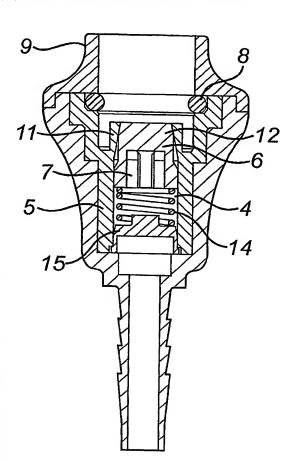
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(54) Title: VALVES FOR DRINKING VESSELS



(57) Abstract: A valve for selectively providing access to a supply of drinking fluid retained within a portable flexible container (18) comprises a tubular body (1) having at one end a stem (2) insertable into an opening in communication with the container and at its other end an outlet (3) through which fluid from the container can leave the valve. A piston (6) is mounted for sliding movement within a central bore (4) of the body and is resiliently urged into engagement with an annular seating (11) positioned at the bore end closest to the outlet (3). Means are provided for moving the piston (6) against the action of the resilient means (14) to enable fluid to be drawn from the container past the piston and through the outlet.

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